

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation provides that a legislator or executive branch employee or elected official may not register as a lobbyist or lobby the Idaho Legislature or Idaho Executive Branch during the regular legislative session following the date the legislator or executive branch employee or elected official leaves public office. It also applies for at least six months after the legislator or executive branch employee or elected official leaves office. This law isn't applicable to those legislators, executive branch employees or elected officials who wish to speak at public legislative hearings or similar circumstances in the exercise of their free speech right, however, no former legislator, executive branch employee or elected official may be paid or otherwise perform lobbying activities in doing so. A legislator or executive branch employee or elected official who is elected to a different public office is not subject to this bill and a legislator, executive branch employee or elected official who speaks on behalf of a religious organization regarding a constitutional issue is permitted to do so. This legislation helps to prevent conflicts of interest that may occur as a legislator transitions out of office and helps to promote public confidence in the legislative process.

FISCAL NOTE

There does not appear to be any fiscal impact resulting from this legislation.

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